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In re Application of: Stephen D. Kuslich; James W. Ahern; Leon J. Grobler; Steven J. Wolfe
Application No.: 09/909667
Filed: July 20, 2001
For: Expandable Fabric Bag Reduction, Fixation and Supporting of Bone Abnormalities
Examiner: Mr. Pedro Philogene
Group Art Unit: 3732

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Docket No.: S85.2R-9156-US02

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office Action dated August 18, 2003.

If an extension of time is required to make this response timely and no separate petition is enclosed, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely. In the event that this response requires the payment of government fees and payment is not enclosed, please charge Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Please amend the application as follows:

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